

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LOU ANN LOWENSTEIN,

Plaintiff (s),

v.

SEARS ROEBUCK AND CO., ET AL.,

Defendant(s).

No. C **08-03237 PJH****ORDER SETTING INITIAL CASE
MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE AND
ADR DEADLINES**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this action is assigned to the Honorable Phyllis J. Hamilton. When serving the complaint or notice of removal, the plaintiff or removing defendant must serve on all other parties a copy of this order and all other documents specified in [Civil Local Rule 4-2](#). Counsel must comply with the case schedule listed below unless the Court otherwise orders.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this action is assigned to the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Multi-Option Program governed by [ADR Local Rule 3](#). Counsel and clients shall familiarize themselves with that rule and with the material entitled "Dispute Resolution Procedures in the Northern District of California" on the Court ADR Internet site at www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov. A limited number of printed copies are available from the Clerk's Office for parties in cases not subject to the court's Electronic Case Filing program (ECF).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that plaintiff or removing defendant serve upon all parties the brochure entitled "Consenting To A Magistrate Judge's Jurisdiction In The Northern District Of California," additional copies of which can be downloaded from the following Internet site: <http://www.cand.uscourts.gov>.

CASE SCHEDULE -ADR MULTI-OPTION PROGRAM

Date	Event	Governing Rule
7/3/2008	Notice of removal filed	
10/2/2008	Last day to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> meet and confer re: initial disclosures, early settlement, ADR process selection, and discovery plan file ADR Certification signed by Parties and Counsel (form available at http://www.cand.uscourts.gov) file either Stipulation to ADR Process or Notice of Need for ADR Phone Conference (form available at http://www.cand.uscourts.gov) 	FRCivP 26(f) & ADR L.R.3-5 Civil L.R. 16-8 (b) & ADR L.R. 3-5(b) Civil L.R. 16-8 (c) & ADR L.R. 3-5(b) & (c)
10/16/2008	Last day to file Rule 26(f) Report, complete initial disclosures or state objection in Rule 26(f) Report and file Case Management Statement per attached Standing Order re Contents of Joint Case Management Statement (also	FRCivP 26(a) (1) Civil L.R. 16-9

available at <http://www.cand.uscourts.gov>)

10/23/2008 INITIAL CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE [Civil L.R. 16-10](#)
(CMC) in Courtroom 3 17th Flr at 2:30 PM

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STANDING ORDER RE
REMOVED CASES

Defendant(s).

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT upon removal of this action, the removing defendant or defendants shall, within ten (10) calendar days of the date of removal, file and serve a submission providing the following information:

1. Whether all defendants served at the time of removal joined in the notice of removal.
2. Whether the notice of removal was dated more than thirty (30) days after the first defendant was served.
3. If the action has been removed on the grounds of diversity jurisdiction, whether any defendant served at the time of removal is a citizen of California.
4. If the action has been removed on the grounds of diversity jurisdiction, the citizenship of all named plaintiffs and all named defendants (including the citizenship of all members or partners in any non-corporate party).

If plaintiff wishes to respond to defendant's submission, such response, if any, shall be filed and served within ten (15) calendar days of the date of the removal. Any motion to remand the action to state court based on any defect other than lack of subject matter jurisdiction shall be filed within thirty (30) days after removal. See 28 U.S.C. § 1447(c).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: _____


PHYLLIS J. HAMILTON
United States District Judge

**STANDING ORDER FOR ALL JUDGES OF THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA**

CONTENTS OF JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

Commencing March 1, 2007, all judges of the Northern District of California will require the identical information in Joint Case Management Statements filed pursuant to Civil Local Rule 16-9. The parties must include the following information in their statement which, except in unusually complex cases, should not exceed ten pages:

1. Jurisdiction and Service: The basis for the court's subject matter jurisdiction over plaintiff's claims and defendant's counterclaims, whether any issues exist regarding personal jurisdiction or venue, whether any parties remain to be served, and, if any parties remain to be served, a proposed deadline for service.
2. Facts: A brief chronology of the facts and a statement of the principal factual issues in dispute.
3. Legal Issues: A brief statement, without extended legal argument, of the disputed points of law, including reference to specific statutes and decisions.
4. Motions: All prior and pending motions, their current status, and any anticipated motions.
5. Amendment of Pleadings: The extent to which parties, claims, or defenses are expected to be added or dismissed and a proposed deadline for amending the pleadings.
6. Evidence Preservation: Steps taken to preserve evidence relevant to the issues reasonably evident in this action, including interdiction of any document-destruction program and any ongoing erasures of e-mails, voice mails, and other electronically-recorded material.
7. Disclosures: Whether there has been full and timely compliance with the initial disclosure requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 26 and a description of the disclosures made.
8. Discovery: Discovery taken to date, if any, the scope of anticipated discovery, any proposed limitations or modifications of the discovery rules, and a proposed discovery plan pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f).
9. Class Actions: If a class action, a proposal for how and when the class will be certified.
10. Related Cases: Any related cases or proceedings pending before another judge of this court, or before another court or administrative body.
11. Relief: All relief sought through complaint or counterclaim, including the amount of any

damages sought and a description of the bases on which damages are calculated. In addition, any party from whom damages are sought must describe the bases on which it contends damages should be calculated if liability is established.

12. Settlement and ADR: Prospects for settlement, ADR efforts to date, and a specific ADR plan for the case, including compliance with ADR L.R. 3-5 and a description of key discovery or motions necessary to position the parties to negotiate a resolution.

13. Consent to Magistrate Judge For All Purposes: Whether all parties will consent to have a magistrate judge conduct all further proceedings including trial and entry of judgment.

14. Other References: Whether the case is suitable for reference to binding arbitration, a special master, or the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation.

15. Narrowing of Issues: Issues that can be narrowed by agreement or by motion, suggestions to expedite the presentation of evidence at trial (e.g., through summaries or stipulated facts), and any request to bifurcate issues, claims, or defenses.

16. Expedited Schedule: Whether this is the type of case that can be handled on an expedited basis with streamlined procedures.

17. Scheduling: Proposed dates for designation of experts, discovery cutoff, hearing of dispositive motions, pretrial conference and trial.

18. Trial: Whether the case will be tried to a jury or to the court and the expected length of the trial.

19. Disclosure of Non-party Interested Entities or Persons: Whether each party has filed the "Certification of Interested Entities or Persons" required by Civil Local Rule 3-16. **In addition**, each party must restate in the case management statement the contents of its certification by identifying any persons, firms, partnerships, corporations (including parent corporations) or other entities known by the party to have either: (i) a financial interest in the subject matter in controversy or in a party to the proceeding; or (ii) any other kind of interest that could be substantially affected by the outcome of the proceeding.

20. Such other matters as may facilitate the just, speedy and inexpensive disposition of this matter.